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October 2, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND PROBATION
DEPARTMENT: REQUEST TO APPROVE FORM AMENDMENTS TO FOSTER FAMILY
AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR FOSTER CARE AND MASTER AGREEMENT FOR GROUP
HOME FOSTER CARE SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER OF THE
PROBATION DEPARTMENT THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve Form Amendment in substantially similar form to Attachment I, to the Foster Family Agency Agreement for Foster Care (FFA Agreement) with the Foster Family Agencies listed on Attachment II.
2. Approve Form Amendment Number Two (Amendment Number Two), in substantially similar form to Attachment III, to the Master Agreement for Group Home Foster Care Services (GH Agreement) with the Group Home service providers listed on Attachment IV.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), or her designee, to execute the Amendment to the FFA Agreements effective November 1, 2007, through April 30, 2008, and if necessary, to execute six one-month extension options to be exercised by written notification to the FFA service providers for the period of May 1, 2008, thru October 31, 2008, after Chief Executive Officer (CEO) approval. The estimated cost for the six-month extension and six optional one-month extensions is \$126.2 million. The extensions will be financed using approximately 36.3 percent Federal revenue, 32.5 percent State revenue and 31.2 percent net County cost (NCC under the Title IV-E Waiver. Funding is included in the FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Children and Family Service (DCFS), or her designee, and the Chief Probation Officer (CPO), or his designee, to execute Amendment Number Two for six one-month extension options, if necessary, to be exercised by written notification to the GH service providers for the period of May 1, 2008, thru October 31, 2008, after CEO approval. If all six one-month extension options are exercised, the cost would be approximately \$100 million and would be financed using approximately 36.3 percent Federal revenue, 32.5 percent State revenue and 31.2 percent NCC under the Title IV-E Waiver. Funding is included in the FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget.
5. Instruct the Director of DCFS, or her designee, and the CPO, or his designee, to notify your Board and the CEO in writing within ten working days of executing the FFA and GH Amendments and exercising any extension options.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The recommended actions will extend the existing FFA Agreements through April 30, 2008, and provide for six one-month extension options to the FFA and GH Agreements. Extending these Agreements will provide time for the departments to conduct a combined FFA/GH solicitation process.

Without approval of the recommended actions, the FFA and GH program services will operate without the benefit of a contract, and may compromise the County's ability to provide a safe, protective environment to children under its supervision.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal No. 5 (Children and Families Well-Being). The recommended actions will enable DCFS to work collaboratively with FFAs and GHs to provide a safe, protective, and nurturing environment for children under its supervision.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated cost for the six-month extension and six optional one-month extensions for the FFA Agreement is \$126.2 million. The estimated cost, if all six one-month extension options are exercised for the GH Agreement, is approximately \$100 million. The total estimated cost for the FFA and GH Agreement extensions is \$226.2 million and will be funded using approximately 36.3 percent Federal revenue, 32.5 percent State revenue and 31.2 percent NCC under the Title IV-E Waiver. Funding is included in the FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONAL/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The term of the original FFA Agreement was September 1, 2003, through August 31, 2004, with two one-year renewal periods through August 31, 2006. Amendment Number Two, adopted by your Board on August 15, 2006, extended the FFA Agreement through October 31, 2007, to align it with the Master Agreement for Group Home Foster Care Services. The recommended action will extend the current FFA Agreement through April 30, 2008, and to add up to an additional six months on a month-to-month basis through October 31, 2008, if necessary, to complete the combined Foster Family Agency Group Home Foster Care Services (FFA/GH) solicitation process.

The term of the original GH Agreement was November 1, 2004, through October 31, 2005, with two one-year renewal periods through October 31, 2007, and an additional six months through April 30, 2008 to complete a solicitation process. The recommended action will add up to an additional six months beyond April 30, 2008, on a month-to-month basis through October 31, 2008, if necessary, to complete the combined FFA/GH solicitation process.

The Amendments to the FFA and GH Agreements were reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. County Counsel has reviewed this Board letter.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

There is no additional contracting process needed for this action. On July 27, 2007, the California Department of Social Services approved: 1) the extension of the current FFA Agreement term for an additional six months beyond the October 31, 2007 expiration date through April 30, 2008; 2) an additional month-to-month extension of the FFA Agreement, up to six months through October 31, 2008, if necessary, to complete the solicitation process; and 3) an additional month-to-month extension of the GH Agreement, up to six months through October 31, 2008, if necessary, to complete the solicitation process.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Approval of these Amendments will allow foster care services provided through FFA and GH programs to continue without interruption during the solicitation process, thereby enhancing the County's ability to improve the well-being of foster children.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisors, it is requested that the Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board send an adopted copy of the Board letter to:

1. Department of Children and Family Services
Contracts Administration
Attention: Walter Chan, Manager
425 Shatto Place, Room 400
Los Angeles, CA 90020
2. Probation Department
Contracts Management Division
Attention: Yolanda Young, Director
9150 East Imperial Highway, Room A-66
Downey, CA 90242
3. Office of the County Counsel
Attention: Jill Meyers, Associate County Counsel
648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

WTF:SRH:BY
GP:LC:lbm

Attachments (4)

c: County Counsel

**AMENDMENT NUMBER _____ TO FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR
FOSTER CARE**

This Amendment Number _____ (hereinafter, Amendment _____) to Foster Family Agency Agreement for Foster Care (hereinafter, Agreement) is made and entered into at Los Angeles, California this _____ day of _____, 2007, by and between the County of Los Angeles (hereinafter "COUNTY") and _____ (hereinafter "CONTRACTOR").

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2003, the Board of Supervisors granted authority to the Director of Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to execute Agreements with various licensed non-profit Foster Family Agency service providers; and

WHEREAS, parties agree to extend the term of the Agreement to allow COUNTY to conduct a Combined Solicitation for the Foster Family Agency and Group Home programs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR has been providing Foster Family Agency Foster Care Services; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment to the Agreement is prepared and executed by COUNTY and CONTRACTOR as set forth in the Form Agreement, Section 22.0, CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS;

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR mutually agree to the following changes to the Form Agreement:

1. **Section 3.0 TERM AND TERMINATION**, sub-sections 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 are added to read as follows:
 - 3.2.2 The term of this Agreement shall extend for the period of November 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008, unless terminated earlier as provided herein.
 - 3.2.3 The term of this Agreement may also be extended by the Director of DCFS by written notice to the CONTRACTOR prior to April 30, 2008, after CEO approval, on a month-to-month basis for a period not to exceed six (6) months beyond April 30, 2008, if such additional time is necessary to complete the negotiation or solicitation of a new Contract. This Agreement will expire upon the execution of the new Master Contract.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL
FORCE AND EFFECT**

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES**

**AMENDMENT NUMBER _____ TO FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR
FOSTER CARE**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number _____ to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed the same through its authorized officers, as of the day, month and year first above written. The persons signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrant under penalty of perjury that they are authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACTOR

Name of Agency

By: _____
Patricia S. Ploehn, LCSW, Director
Department of Children and
Family Services

By: _____

Name: _____

Title _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Title _____

Tax Identification Number

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL
RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR., County Counsel

By: APPROVED AS TO FORM _____
Jill Meyers, Associate County Counsel

Foster Family Agencies

Alliance Human Services, Inc.

Alpha Treatment Centers

America Care Foster Family Agency

A-W Friendship Homes Inc., dba Zenith Foster Family Agency

Beta Foster Care

Bienvenidos Children's Center, Inc.

California Institute of Health & Social Services, dba Children's Way

Childhelp, Inc.

ChildNet Youth and Family Services, Inc.

Children's Bureau of Southern California

Children's Institute, Inc.

Concept 7, Inc.

Counseling and Research Associates, dba Masada Homes

David and Margaret Home, Inc.

Developmental Dynamics Family Services Inc.

Drew Child Development Corporation Inc.

Eastfield Ming Quong, Inc., dba EMQ Children and Family Services

Eggleston Youth Centers, Inc.

Ettie Lee Homes, Inc.

Excel Family Intervention Program

Families First Inc.

Families for Children Inc.

Families Uniting Families

Family Solutions, Inc.

Five Acres-The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Los Angeles County

Florence Crittenton Services of Orange County, Inc.

Fred Jefferson Memorial Home for Boys

Free to be Programs

Futuro Infantil Hispano, F.F.A.

Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, Inc. (GLASS)

Guardians of Love
Hamburger Home, Inc., dba Aviva Family and Children's Services
Hanna's House
Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services
Holy Family Services Adoption and Foster Care
Inner Circle Foster Family Agency, Inc.
Institute for Black Parenting
Kinship Center
Koinonia Foster Homes, Inc.
Latino Family Institute, Inc.
Maryvale, dba: Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul
McKinley Children's Center, Inc.
Moss Beach Homes, Inc., dba Aspira
Ninos Latinos Unidos
Nuevo Amanecer Latino Children's Services
Olive Crest Treatment Centers
Optimist Boys' Home and Ranch
Penny Lane Centers
Personal Involvement Center, Inc.
PsyMed, Inc., aka: Hudson Lyndsey
Rosemary Children's Services
Secure Transitions
Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc.
South Bay Bright Future Youth Development Center
Southern California Foster Family Agency
Teens Happy Homes, Inc.
The Dangerfield Institute of Urban Problems
The Multicultural Service Center
The Village Family Services
Transcendence Children and Family Services
Trinity Youth Services

United Care, Inc.

Vista Del Mar Child and Family Services

Walden Environment

West Covina Foster Family Agency, dba Homes of Hope

Westside Children's Center, Inc.

Wings of Refuge

Xavier Psychological Testing and Treatment Center, Inc., dba Greatest Love

**AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO MASTER AGREEMENT FOR GROUP HOME
FOSTER CARE SERVICES**

This Amendment Number Two (hereinafter, Amendment Two) to Master Agreement for Group Home Foster Care Services (hereinafter, Agreement) is made and entered into at Los Angeles, California this _____ day of _____, 2007, by and between the County of Los Angeles (hereinafter "COUNTY") and _____ (hereinafter "CONTRACTOR").

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2004 the Board of Supervisors granted authority to the Director of Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Chief Probation Officer to execute Agreements with various licensed non-profit Group Home service providers; and

WHEREAS, parties agree to extend the term of the Agreement to allow COUNTY to conduct a Combined Solicitation for the Foster Family Agency and Group Home programs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, CONTRACTOR has been providing Group Home Foster Care Services; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment to the Agreement is prepared and executed by COUNTY and CONTRACTOR as set forth in the Form Agreement, Section 21.0, CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS;

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR mutually agree to the following changes to the Form Agreement:

1. **Section 3.0 TERM AND TERMINATION**, sub-section 3.2.1 is added to read as follows:

3.2.1 The term of this Agreement may also be extended by the Director of DCFS and the Chief Probation Officer by written notice to the CONTRACTOR prior to April 30, 2008, after CEO approval, on a month-to-month basis for a period not to exceed six (6) months beyond April 30, 2008, if such additional time is necessary to complete the negotiation or solicitation of a new Contract. This Agreement will expire upon execution of the new Master Contract.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL
FORCE AND EFFECT**

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND PROBATION
DEPARTMENT**

**AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO MASTER AGREEMENT FOR GROUP HOME
FOSTER CARE SERVICES**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment Number Two to be subscribed on its behalf by the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services and the Chief Probation Officer, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed the same through its authorized officers, as of the day, month and year first above written. The persons signing on behalf of the CONTRACTOR warrant under penalty of perjury that they are authorized to bind the CONTRACTOR.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACTOR

Name of Agency

By: _____
Patricia S. Ploehn, LCSW, Director
Department of Children and
Family Services

By: _____
Name: _____
Title _____

By: _____
Robert B. Taylor, Chief Probation Officer
Probation Department

By: _____
Name: _____
Title _____

Tax Identification Number

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL
RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR., County Counsel

By: APPROVED AS TO FORM
Jill Meyers, Associate County Counsel

GROUP HOME CONTRACTORS

Abby's Adolescent Development

Acts For Children, aka Active Community Treatment System (ACTS)

Allen's Teen Care, Inc.

Alpha Entrepreneur and Health Foundation, Inc. dba, Sonya Love Guidance Center

Ashe, Inc.

A-W Friendship Homes, Inc.

B & I Group Home, Inc

Bourne, Inc.

Boys Republic

Canyon Acres Children and Family Services, dba Canyon Acres Residential Treatment Center

Careprovider.org Foundation, dba Careprovider Children and Family Services

Casa Edith Foundation, Inc., dba Ava-Lyas Group Homes

Catholic Charities of Los Angeles dba Rancho San Antonio

Childhelp, Inc.

Childnet Youth and Family Services, Inc.

Children Are Our Future, Inc.

Children's Home of Southern California

Children's Therapeutic Communities

Childs' Home for Children

Counseling and Research Associates, dba Masada Home

Cunningham's Group Home

The Dangerfield Institute of Urban Problems

David & Margaret Home, Inc.

Deliaann-Lucile Corporation, dba Delilu Achievement Home

DGI Services, Inc., aka Alannah Foster Family Agency and Homes

Diakonia, Inc. aka Maywright Group Homes

Downs and Martin Children's Services

Dream Home Care, Inc.

Drice House, Inc.

Dubnoff Center for Child Development and Educational Therapy

Eggleston Youth Center, Inc.

Ettie Lee Youth and Family Services, aka Ettie Lee Homes, Inc.

Family Solutions, Inc.

Ferree's Group Home, Inc.

Fields Comprehensive Youth Services

Five Acres-The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Los Angeles County

Fleming & Barnes, Inc., dba Dimondale Adolescent Care Facility

Florence Crittenton Services of Orange County, Inc., dba Crittenton Services for Children and Families

Fred Jefferson Memorial Homes for Boys, aka Fred Jefferson Memorial Foster Family Agency

Garces Residential Care Service, Inc. aka Bright Horizon(s)

Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, Inc. (G.L.A.S.S.)

Girls' and Boys' Town of Southern California aka Father Flanagan's Boys' Home

Greater Hope Society, Inc. aka Eva Ford Greater Hope Society

Greene Home for Boys, Inc.

Guiding Light Home for Boys

H.V. Group Home, Inc.

Hamburger Home, Inc., dba Aviva Family and Children's Services

Ha're John's Paradise, Inc.

Hart Community Home, Inc.

Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services

Heritage Group Homes, Inc.

Hillsides

Hope House for the Multiple-Handicapped, Inc., dba Hope House Group Home

Human Services Network, dba Human Services Association

Humanistic Foundation, Inc., dba New Concept Group Home

Jean Lores Group Home, Inc.

Journey House, Inc.

Junior Blind of America

Karis House, Inc.

Kids First Foundation, dba Mid Valley Youth Center

Lachelle and Selena, Inc., dba Camry Group Home
LeRoy Haynes Center for Children and Family Services, Inc.
LIFECIRCLES Unlimited, Inc., dba Lifecircles Group home
The Linden Center
Little People's World, Inc.
Los Angeles Youth Network
Luvlee's Residential Care, Inc., dba New Dawn Group Home
M & R Group Home, Inc.
Macro Homes, Inc.
Manna Manor, Inc.
Mary's Shelter
Maryvale, dba Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul (Maryvale)
McKinley Children's Center, Inc., dba McKinley Boy's Home
Michelle Travis, Inc., aka Michelle Travis Group Home
Moore's Cottage
Mozell Pennington Boys Center, Inc.
Murell's Farm and Boys Home, Inc.
New Outlook Boy's Home, Inc.
New World Independent Living Program, Inc.
O'Connor and Atkins Group Home
Olive Crest Treatment Center, Inc., aka Olive Crest Therapeutic Education and/or Olive Crest Abused

Optimist Boys' Home and Ranch
Orange County Children's Foundation, Inc.
Pacific Lodge Youth Services, Inc., dba Pacific Lodge Boy's Home
Paragon Center, Inc.
Pennacle Foundation, Inc
Penny Lane Centers
Phoenix Houses of Orange County, Inc.
Pioneer Boy's Ranch, Inc.
Positive Path Youth Development Center, Inc.

PSYMED, Inc., aka Hudson Lyndsey Group Homes, aka HLGH

Renaissance Unlimited Homes, Inc.

Rolling Hills Group Home

Rosemary Children's Services

San Fernando Valley Community Mental Health Center, Inc.

San Gabriel Children's Center

Sand Hill Group Home, Inc.

South Bay Bright Future Youth Development Center, aka South Bay Future Foster Family Agency

St. Anne's Foundation

St. Paul's Group Home, Inc.

Starshine Treatment Center

Street Academy, Inc.

Summerplace, Inc.

T & T Home for Boys, Inc.

Teen's Happy Homes, Inc.

The Community Youth Sports and Arts Foundation

The Help Group Child and Family Center, dba Project Six

The House of Bethesda Group Home, Inc., aka House of Bethesda, Inc.

The Perfect Image Youth Centers, aka Image Youth Center

The Salvation Army Southern California Divisional Headquarter, aka The Way In, Booth Memorial Center

The Sherman Group, Inc.

Touch A Life Foundation

Trinity Youth Services, aka Trinity Children & Family Services & Trinity California Residential

Turmont Home for Boys

Turning Point Group Home for Girls, Inc., dba Face to Face

United American Indian Involvement, Inc., aka AH-NO-VEN Home

United Care, Inc.

Vista Del Mar Child and Family Services

Walden House, Inc.

ATTACHMENT IV

Washington-Hancock Home for Girls, Inc.

West Covina Foster Family Agency, Inc., aka Homes of Hope Group Home

West Covina Group Corporation

You are the Difference Foundation, Inc., dba Loving Life Home

Youth Beacon, Inc.